

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended is respectfully requested. Claims 35-43 are pending. In this Amendment, claim 1 is canceled, and claims 35-43 are added. No new matter is added.

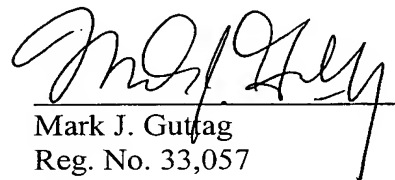
Support for new claims 35-43 is found in the specification at page 23, line 25 to page 27, line 2, at page 28, line 28 to page 29, line 7, in Figures 8, 9, 13, 16 and 17, as well as elsewhere in the originally filed specification, drawings and claims.

The double patenting rejection set forth at paragraph 5 of the Office Action has been rendered moot by the cancellation of claim 1.

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns regarding the present response, the Examiner is invited to contact Mark J. Guttag at 703-591-2664, Ext. 2006.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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